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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Reply is filed in complete response to the Official Action [restriction requirement] mailed on May 17, 2002 (Paper No. 15).

REMARKS

The Examiner has required the election of a single species of claim 1 to which the claims will be restricted if no generic claim is held to be allowable. Applicants hereby elect, with traverse, (a) a chemotherapeutic agent (claim 20). Applicants reserve the right to file a divisional or continuation application directed to any subject matter not elected herein.

The restriction is respectfully traversed. M.P.E.P. § 803 states that an application may be properly restricted to one or more claimed inventions only if (1) the inventions are independent or distinct as claimed, and (2) there is a serious burden on the Examiner if the restriction is not required. Accordingly, a restriction between patentably distinct inventions